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APG employee sent to hospital

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – An Edgewood Chemical and Biological Center employee was taken to the Edgewood Area Clinic for observation this afternoon when a vial containing a dilute solution of GB, a nerve agent, broke while being handled at a chemical handling facility in Aberdeen Proving Ground's Edgewood Area.

The worker exhibited no signs of chemical exposure and was monitored with low-level chemical monitoring equipment. The worker was subsequently transported to the Upper Chesapeake Medical Center in Bel Air for observation and treatment of a possible eye injury.

The accident took place under internal engineering controls and no chemical agent was released.